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SUBJECT: ARGENTINE REQUEST FOR SATELLITE BEAGLE CHANNEL
IMAGERY

1. MARCELO DELPECH, ARGENTINE COUNSELOR FOR THE ARGENTINE-CHILE BEAGLE CHANNEL ARBITRATION, ASKED US REP TO UN OUTER SPACE LEGAL SUBCOMMITTEE 29 MAY FOR URGENT ASSISTANCE IN MEETING REQUEST OF ARBITRAL COURT PRESIDENT SIR GERALD FITZMAURICE FOR PHOTOGRAPHS OF BEAGLE CHANNEL. DELPECH SAID ARGENTINA HAD NOT THOUGHT PHOTOGRAPHY NECESSARY IN VIEW OF EXCELLENCE OF MAPS ALREADY SUBMITTED TO THE TRIBUNAL BUT, QUITE NATURALLY, THEY ARE ANXIOUS TO COMPLY WITH TRIBUNAL'S REQUEST. HE SAID BUENOS AIRES HAD BEEN ASKED FOR PHOTOGRAPHY OF THE 150-MILE LONG CHANNEL AND IMMEDIATELY SURROUNDING AREA AND HAD SENT PICTURES TAKEN BY THE ARGENTINE NAVY TO THE ARGENTINE ARBITRAL AGENT IN GENEVA (JULIO BARBOZA, DELPECH'S IMMEDIATE SUPERIOR). HOWEVER, THESE HAD PROVEN OF POOR QUALITY AND MUCH MARKED BY CLOUD COVER.

2. AGAINST THIS BACKGROUND, DELPECH REQUESTED USG HELP IN DETERMINING EXISTENCE OF GOOD PHOTOGRAPHY OF BEAGLE CHANNEL AS MIGHT, HE THOUGHT, HAVE BEEN
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3. COMMENT: APART FROM DESIRABILITY OF RESPONDING AFFIRMATIVELY IN CONTEXT OF BILATERAL RELATIONS, US SUPPLYING SUCH PHOTOGRAPHY ON A COST-FREE BASIS IN THIS CASE COULD HAVE VERY USEFUL EFFECT IN PROMOTING ACCEPTANCE OF US VIEWS ON EARTH REMOTE SENSING BY SATELLITE. ARGENTINA HAS BEEN IN FOREFRONT OF THOSE URGING A REQUIREMENT THAT SUCH SENSING BE ACCOMPLISHED EXCLUSIVELY ON A "CONSENT" BASIS AND WE CAN THINK OF NO BETTER WAY TO STIMULATE A POSSIBLE GOA REAPPRAISAL THAN, ASSUMING THIS IS FEASIBLE, BY WILLINGLY RESPONDING TO DELPECH REQUEST. POSITION OF ARGENTINA IS OF CONSIDERABLE IMPORTANCE SINCE ARGENTINA IS AMONG TWO OR THREE LEADERS OF LA OPINION IN OUTER SPACE COMMITTEE AND ON SPACE MATTERS IN INTERNATIONAL FORUMS GENERALLY.

4. IF IT WERE THOUGHT DESIRABLE, THE CHILEAN AGENT COULD BE INFORMED OF THE ARGENTINE REQUEST, AND IF THIS PROVES PRACTICABLE, OUR AFFIRMATIVE RESPONSE COULD BE FURNISHED WITH AN IDENTICAL SET OF PIECUTES.DALE

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